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Dear Parent/Guardian

I write with a number of updates.

#### 1) Clubs and Boosters

We have had brilliant attendance at clubs since they re-started this year. Thank you for encouraging your child to attend. It is also great that so many Year 11s have already taken advantage of the after-school booster sessions. We have found that the focused extra learning time can make all the difference in helping pupils achieve the grades they need for their preferred college or sixth form course, so it would be great if parents of Year 11s can encourage participation in as many as possible. Please find attached slightly amended Clubs and Booster programme.

#### 2) Open Evening Reminder

Please pass on our thanks and appreciation if your child is one of the many who have volunteered to give up their time to support the school at Open Evening. I appreciate that this causes additional burdens on you as you arrange lifts etc – thank you so much. On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>, we will be sending pupils home at 12.40. On Wednesday morning, out of regard for the fact that a huge proportion of pupils will have been in school very late the evening before, we will expect pupils back in school by 11.30.

# 3) Headteacher Absence

Unfortunately, I require an operation which will necessitate an absence from school from Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September, with a planned return after the October half-term break. I apologise any inconvenience this may cause. During my absence, Mr Chesterman will be Acting-Headteacher. There is a reasonable possibility that my operation will be delayed as both junior doctors and consultants are taking industrial action on the day and, if so, we will continue as normal.

# 4) Enrichment Day

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> September, the whole will participate in their first free trip day of the academic year. We have a wide range of trips planned with visits to Nottingham Courts, Twycross zoo, Walsall Art Gallery and Arboretum to name a few. Your daughter will be given a letter with all





of the plans and guidance for the day. Please note that attendance will be compulsory and these days are a normal school day in terms of attendance records.

### 5) Arbor

To avoid missing out on important school news, please make sure that you install the Arbor App. A login reminder was sent out this morning via Arbor. Please email it-support@nsg.kevibham.org if you have any questions about the Arbor App or need any help.

Yours faithfully

Mr Neil Jones Headteacher